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SUBJECT: REFUGEES FROM ANGOLA: SHABA REGION

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1. NEITHER UNHCR OFFICIALS IN KINSHASA NOR AMCONSULATE IN LUBUMBASHI ARE AWARE OF ANY RECENT INFLUX OF ANGOLAN REFUGEES IN SHABA REGION AS STATED IN PARA 4 REFTEL.
2. THERE ARE, HOWEVER, CONFLICTING REPORTS ON NUMBER OF REFUGEES IN THE REGION. ACCORDING TO LOCAL UNHCR, THERE ARE APPROXIMATELY 12,000-14,000 REFUGEES FOR WHOM IT IS PREPARED TO PROVIDE LIMITED ASSISTANCE. CONSULATE PREVIOUSLY REPORTED IN MARCH, 1976, A SIMILAR FIGURE, BUT NOW STATES THAT THERE ARE ONLY 5,000. THIS FIGURE BASED ON INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM UNITA REPRESENTATIVES LOCATED IN SHABA. ACCORDING TO THEM THERE ARE 1,000 REFUGEES SCATTERED AROUND THE REGION AND 4,000 IN THE BILOLO AREA.
3. EMBASSY WILL CHECK FURTHER. IT WOULD APPEAR, HOWEVER, THAT UNHCR GENEVA IS REFERRING REFUGEES WHICH HAVE BEEN IN SHABA FOR SOME TIME AND FOR WHOM LOCAL REPRESENTATIVE HAS ONLY NOW RECOMMENDED LIMITED ASSISTANCE.

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